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In re the Application of: Letts et al

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For: Nitrosated and Nitrosylated Prostaglandins, Compositions and Methods of Use

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**Assistant Commissioner of Patents** 

Washington, DC 20231

## Provisional Response to Restriction Requirement and Request for Reconsideration of Restriction Requirement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.143

This response is submitted in reply to the Restriction Requirement dated August 16, 2004, for which a response is due on or before October 18, 2004 (the first business day after October 16, 2004).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the one month extension of time fee of \$55 to Deposit Account No. 08-0219; and charge any other necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of the present application.

## I. Request for Reconsideration of Restriction Requirement

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.143, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restriction requirement dated August 16, 2004.

The examiner restricted the invention 44-ways as follows:

Groups I - XI	Claims 2, 3 and 116	Compounds of Formula (I)
Groups XII – XXII	Claims 4, 10-13, 19-27 and 33-36	Compositions comprising the compounds of Formula (I)
Groups XXIII - XXXIII	Claims 5-8, 14-17, 28-31 and 37-40	Methods of use for the compounds of Formula (I)
Groups XXIV - XLIV	Claims 104-106	Kits comprising the compounds of Formula (I)